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Sen. Shafer re-appointed Chair of Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee



ATLANTA- State Sen. David Shafer (R-Duluth) has been re-appointed chairman of the Senate Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee by Lt. Governor Casey Cagle. The Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee is one of the busiest standing committees in the Senate, as it handles all bills and resolutions affecting Georgia's gas, telecommunications and electric industries. The Committee also has jurisdiction over such regulated industries and professions as accounting, engineering, architecture, surveying, real estate brokerage and appraisal, general contracting, homebuilding and alcohol

distribution and sales.

"Senator Shafer will lead the Regulated Industries and Utilities Committee with honor and distinction," said Lt. Gov. Cagle. "His dedication and hard work for all of Georgia was rewarded when he was named chairman. I look forward to his leadership in this important area."

Sen. Shafer also will serve as a member of the influential Senate Committee on Assignments, which assists the Lieutenant Governor in appointing committees, assigning bills to committee and deciding which bills go to the floor.

Sen. Shafer has been assigned to the Banking and Financial Institutions Committee, the Finance Committee and the Reapportionment and Redistricting Committee. He has also been appointed to serve ex officio as a member of the Health and Human Services Committee, Rules Committee and Science and Technology Committee.

"I appreciate the confidence the Lieutenant Governor has shown in me in making these assignments," said Sen. Shafer. "I look forward to my continued service under his leadership."

Sen. Shafer was elected to the Georgia Senate in 2002. He was officially sworn in this week for his fourth term as state Senator representing the 48th Senate District.

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